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Application 09/534,647

ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received at the Board of Patent

Appeals and Interferences (BPAI) on September 3, 2004. A review

of the application has revealed that the application is not ready

for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is

herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring

attention prior to docketing are identified below.

A Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was filed on March 23, 2000 (Paper No. 2). It is apparent from the review of the record the examiner has not considered the IDS submitted nor notified applicants of why the submission did not meet the criteria set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.197 and 1.98.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner for consideration of the IDS, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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